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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Applicants hereby request continued examination of the above-captioned application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. The application is a non-provisional application that was filed on or after June 8, 1995.

This request is being submitted after the mailing of a final Office Action. Applicants request entry and consideration of the amendment and arguments filed in reply to the final Office Action on January 10, 2011. The January 10, 2011 reply to the final Office Action is to be considered the submission required for this Request for Continued Examination.

Applicants also respectfully request consideration of the Information Disclosure Statements filed on August 20, 2010, December 6, 2010, and December 15, 2010.

Enclosed is an authorization to charge \$810.00 to Deposit Account No. 03-2095 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) for this Request for Continued Examination.

If there are any additional charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

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